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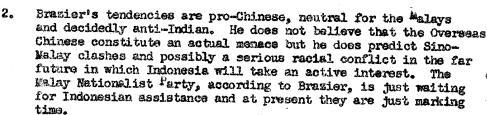
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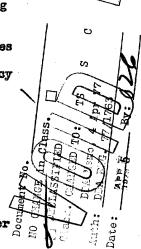
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l. Mr. J. A. Brazier, Malayan Union Trade Union and Labor Advisor, is one of six trade union specialists appointed on a two year contract by the British Colonial Office. Although a socialist and a member of the Labor Party in Britain, he is greatly disappointed in Russia and considers her at present a 'prime imperial menace'. Very critical of Malayan Union officials, Brazier believes that the Colonial Office has now got's first class opportunity to make a 'model, up-to-date' colony of Malaya, but that this chance is being passed by through the incompetency of the government officials and their inability to act in an emergency.



- 3. His attitude toward the estate managers is fair and he realizes that the majority of them are laboring under severe handicaps by being unable to act because of a short-sighted pre-war policy of the home offices in London.
- 4. With regard to the cost of living, Brazier expects that the ultimate 'normal level' in comparison with pre-war conditions will be approximately 20 to 30 per cent higher. When this would come about would depend on world conditions in general.
- He considers them by far the worst exploiters of Tamil labor on the estates. If their treatment of their own countrymen is a criterion of the shape of things to come in India, Brazier said, there is no hope for that country.
- 6. Brazier was a little shy in talking about his relations with the various labor unions. Judging from a few of his remarks, they could be considerably improved. He approves of a 'fair' fight between labor and management but opposes any set on the



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part of labor which is harmful to the people. And so far, labor in Malaya has shown little consideration for anyone.

